

**BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**Bangs Community Center: Large Activity Room**  
**Minutes**

July 7, 2015

BOH Members: Diane Amsterdam, MD; Marco Boscardin; Julie Marcus; John Tobiason  
BOH Excused: Nancy Gilbert  
Staff: Julie Federman; Pamela Field-Sadler  
Other: See attached Sign-In Sheet

**Meeting opened at 5:00 p.m.**

In the planned absence of Chair Gilbert, Ms. Marcus served as Chairperson for this meeting.

**I. Review & Receive**

**A. Meeting Minutes**

1. Meeting Minutes from June 4, 2015 – Approved  
Vote: Amsterdam-Aye; Boscardin-; Marcus-Aye; Tobiason-Abstain

**II. New Business**

**A. Rescind:** *Regulation of the Town of Amherst Board of Health Restricting the Sale and Use of Tobacco Products and Nicotine Delivery Products*

Acknowledging the new tobacco regulations taking effect August 15, 2015, the Board of Health agreed to rescind the *Regulation of the Town of Amherst Board of Health Restricting the Sale and Use of Tobacco Products and Nicotine Delivery Products*.

**Motion:** Dr. Amsterdam made the motion, seconded by Mr. Tobiason, to rescind the *Regulation of the Town of Amherst Board of Health Restricting the Sale and Use of Tobacco Products and Nicotine Delivery Products* effective August 15, 2015.

**Vote:** Approved

**B. Big Guy Liquors: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tobacco Regulation Violation**

Surjit Multani in attendance.

Big Guy Liquors is facing a \$200 fine and a 7 day Tobacco License suspension for a 2<sup>nd</sup> violation of the *Regulation of the Town of Amherst Board of Health Restricting the Sale and Use of Tobacco Products and Nicotine Delivery Products* within in a 36 month period. A banned tobacco product was observed during an inspection completed by a Tobacco Coalition Officer. Mr. Multani attests the tobacco product was not for sale. Ms. Federman will consult with Attorney Sbarra to confirm that possession of a banned tobacco product is a violation of the regulations. The Board of Health reviewed the hearing process with Mr. Multani.

**III. Topics Not Anticipated by the Chair 48 Hours Prior to the Meeting**

**A. Amherst Corner**

Mohamed S. Nagooradumai and Zuhaira Mohamed in attendance.

Mr. Nagooradumai and Ms. Mohamed came before the Board of Health (BOH) to express concern regarding the revocation of their Tobacco Sales License for their business. The BOH explained their authority to oversee and enforce the local tobacco regulations including the issuance of tobacco licenses. The BOH confirmed Amherst Corner's non-compliance with the regulations and agreed to uphold their decision to terminate the Tobacco Sales License for Amherst Corner.

**V. Director's Report and Update**

**A. Rotating Board Chairperson**

Ms. Federman reminded the Board of Health (BOH) of their decision to rotate the position of Chairperson annually. The BOH will consider this at their September meeting.

**B. Clark House**

Ms. Federman reported the heating and cooling repairs have been completed at the Clark House without incident.

**C. Transfer of Inspectors to Inspection Services**

As of July 1, 2015, the Health Inspectors have transferred to the Inspections Services Department. The Health Department will continue to oversee Tobacco Licenses, as well as Handicap Parking and Livestock permitting. The Health Department will also continue infectious disease and arborvirus monitoring. The Health Department will continue work to develop and promote the employee wellness program. Ms. Federman will be coordinating the human services located in the Bangs Community Center, as well as collaborating with outside health, medical and human service agencies providing for Amherst residents.

**D. Community Health Center**

In response to inquiry by a Board of Health member, Ms. Federman shared a lease has been signed for space intended for the Community Health Center contingent upon the receipt of a grant award.

**E. Kern Center**

Ms. Federman reported the joint inspections of the water systems for the Kern Center have not been scheduled yet. Some members of the Board of Health (BOH) expressed interest in attending the inspections as well. Ms. Federman will apprise the BOH when the inspections are scheduled.

**VI. Schedule Next Board of Health Meeting/Agenda Closing Date**

The following Board of Health meeting is scheduled:

September 10, 2015

This meeting will begin at 5:00 p.m.

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Pamela Field-Sadler, Management Assistant

**Approved:** July 27, 2015

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**Meeting Document List**

The following documents were available to the Board of Health during their scheduled meeting. These documents are available for review at the:

**Amherst Health Department, 70 Boltwood Walk, Amherst, MA 01002**

- Meeting Agenda
- Meeting Minutes: June 4, 2015 (draft)
- Big Guy Liquors: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tobacco Regulation Violation
  1. Violation Notice: # 0633
  2. *Regulation of the Town of Amherst Board of Health Restricting the Sale and Use of Tobacco Products and Nicotine Delivery Products* Section P. Violations
- *Regulation of the Town of Amherst Board of Health Restricting the Sale and Use of Tobacco Products and Nicotine Delivery Products*

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## BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING

### Sign In Sheet

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5:00 p.m.

NAME (Please Print Clearly) ADDRESS/AFFILIATION/TITLE

1. Scott Merbach Gazette & Bulletin
2. Mohamed Nigoor \_\_\_\_\_
3. Zuhaira Mahul Amherst Commec owner
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